

## History – World War 2 and the Battle of Britain

The aim of this topic is for the children in year 6 to get a better understanding of the significant events leading up to and during World War 2 and the impact these have had since. The children will learn about the different Allied and Axis countries as well as significant leaders involved. They will also look in detail at the Battle of Britain and the effect the Blitz had on everyday lives. As part of this work we will engage with excerpts from 'The Diary of Anne Frank' as well as 'When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit'.

## English

During the first half of the Autumn Term, Year 6 will be learning how to write an effective explanation text. These writing skills will be used to communicate our knowledge of our World War 2 Topic and our work on the heart and how it works.

During the second half of the Autumn Term, we will be focusing our attention on narrative writing. Again, we will be using our World War 2 Topic to inspire this in a flashback style of writing.

## PE

PE lessons will take place on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. We will endeavor to get the children outside as often as possible so please send the children with their usual PE kit of a plain white / Ashleigh t-shirt, shorts, plimsolls as well as a tracksuit, waterproof jacket, outdoor shoes, hat and gloves for the winter months.

## RE – Creation Stories:

During the Autumn Term, Year 6 will be looking at a variety of creation stories originating from a number of faiths.

## PSHE – PATHS

The main focus of our PATHS sessions for the Autumn Term will be on study and organisational skills. This will also include helping the children to fine-tune their listening skills.

## Science- Animals including humans' / Living things and their habitats

During the Autumn term year 6 will spend time looking in detail at the cardiovascular system. They will learn about the importance of the heart as well as the different parts. Following on from this they will look at how water and nutrients are transported around the human body as well as the importance of a healthy and active lifestyle. Later on in the term, year 6 will look at classifying living things according to common observable characteristics. This will include plants, animals and microorganisms.

## D&T – Structures

Year 6 will spend time looking at different shelters used during the Blitz before designing and making their own miniature air raid shelter.

## World War 2 Year 6 Autumn Term

## Year 6

Welcome to Year 6! We are hugely excited to get started this year and are looking forward to getting to know our new classes.

### Important dates:

Year 6 Residential – September 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>  
Black History Week – October 15<sup>th</sup>  
Parents Evenings – November 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>.  
WW2 Tea Dance – December 7<sup>th</sup>

## Geography

This topic will give the children in year 6 the opportunity to identify countries and areas which were involved during World War 2. We will identify both Allied, Axis and Neutral countries as well as looking at the countries which Germany invaded using their Blitzkrieg tactics and the impact of these invasions.

## Maths

We will begin Year 6 with consolidation of our place value knowledge, building up to working with numbers up to 10 000 000. Within this, we will explore comparing, ordering and rounding. Following on from our place value work, we will begin working on the four operations, including multiplying and dividing by 2-digit numbers. As the term progresses, we will move onto fractions and decimals.

## Computing

During the Autumn Term Year 6 will be increasing the range devices they have been exposed to by using Chromebooks. This will enable them to work and collaborate using Google drive and Classroom. Using these devices will enable them to explore a new range of apps as well as look at the work that goes into planning and designing apps for a particular purpose.

## Art

This topic will give the children the opportunity to practice their sketching technique. They will spend time studying and sketching images of the spitfire and Messerschmitt.